

FISCAL NOTE

SB 771

February 18, 1997

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires that any agriculture education teacher be employed on a 12-month contract, unless the teacher specifically requests a 10-month contract.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - \$247,602

This estimate is based on the following assumptions:

1. For the 95-96 school year, there were a total of 253 agriculture education teachers. Of this number, it is estimated that 29 are on a 10-month contract and 224 are on a 12-month contract.
2. The average agriculture education teacher salary for 95-96 is \$34,151.
3. Since the state only recognizes 10-month teachers, any additional pay for agriculture education teachers for a 12-month versus a 10-month contract will come from local funds.
4. All 29 agriculture education teachers on a 10-month contract will now be employed on a 12-month contract.

	Avg. Agri. Educ. Teacher Salary + Benefits	\$ 42,689	
	10-month contract	<u>÷ 10</u>	
	Salary & Benefits Per month		
4,269			
	2 additional months	<u>x 2</u>	
	Amt. per teacher for 12 mo. contract		\$
8,538			
	Est. no. teachers affected	<u>x 29</u>	
	Inc. in Local Govt. Expenditures	<u>\$247,602</u>	

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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